

Application Serial No. 10/783,241
Amendment dated 1/10/2005
in Response to Office Action dated 12/10/2004

REMARKS

The Examiner has required restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121 among Group 1, claims 2-4 and 13-15 (drawn to a method including a step of optically detecting location of an article); and Group II, claims 7-12 (drawn to a method including a servo helper and a servo pick assembly). Applicant hereby elects Group 1, claims 2-4 and 13-15, for prosecution on the merits. Pursuant to the Office Action, claims 1, 5-6, and 16-21 will be examined with the election invention. Accordingly, claims 7-12 have been cancelled without prejudice.

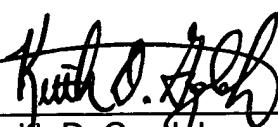
Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional, continuation, and/or continuation-in-part applications covering the non-elected claims 7-12.

CONCLUSION

For all the reasons advanced above, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance, and action to that end is respectfully requested. If the Examiner's next anticipated action is to be anything other than a Notice of Allowance, the undersigned respectfully requests a telephone interview before issuance of any such subsequent action.

Respectfully submitted,

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